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COUNTRY East GermanyREPORT NO. TOPIC Brandenburg-Arado Airfield

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EVALUATION see belowPLACE OBTAINED DATE OF CONTENT 12 to 20 December 1953

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REMARKS

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1. The following air activity and aircraft were observed at Brandenburg-Arado airfield between 12 and 20 December 1953:
- 12 and 13 December. There was no air activity. On both days, 37 Il-10s were parked at the eastern edge of the field.
- 14 December. Between noon and 3 p.m., one Po-2 made local flights. 25X1
- 15 December. Between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., Il-10s, including , made local flights.
- 16 December. There was local flying. Il-10s  were identified. 25X1
- 17 December. There was no flying. Thirty-eight Il-10s were parked at the eastern edge of the field.
- 18 December. Between 10:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., Il-10s practiced individual flying. Between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., a Po-2 was seen aloft.
- 19 and 20 December. There was no air activity.

2. Between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 15 December, Il-10s and Po-2s made individual flights. Four Il-10s  red propeller hubs and red upper edges on their rudder assemblies. Between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on 17 December, there was no flying. The weather was hazy. Il-10s were seen aloft in the direction of the Brandenburg-Briest airfield.

3. In early December, 37-mm AA guns were emplaced outside the fence north of the field and next to Einstein Strasse at a point in line with the westernmost aircraft revetment. The guns were guarded by a sentry. No quartering facilities could be determined near the AA gun emplacement.

1. Comment. One ground attack regiment equipped with about 40 Il-10s is stationed at Brandenburg-Arado airfield. The tactical symbols were repeatedly observed.

2. Comment. This AA gun emplacement is reported for the first time. An AA gun emplacement with four 37-mm AA guns was previously reported to be located in the western portion of the field.

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